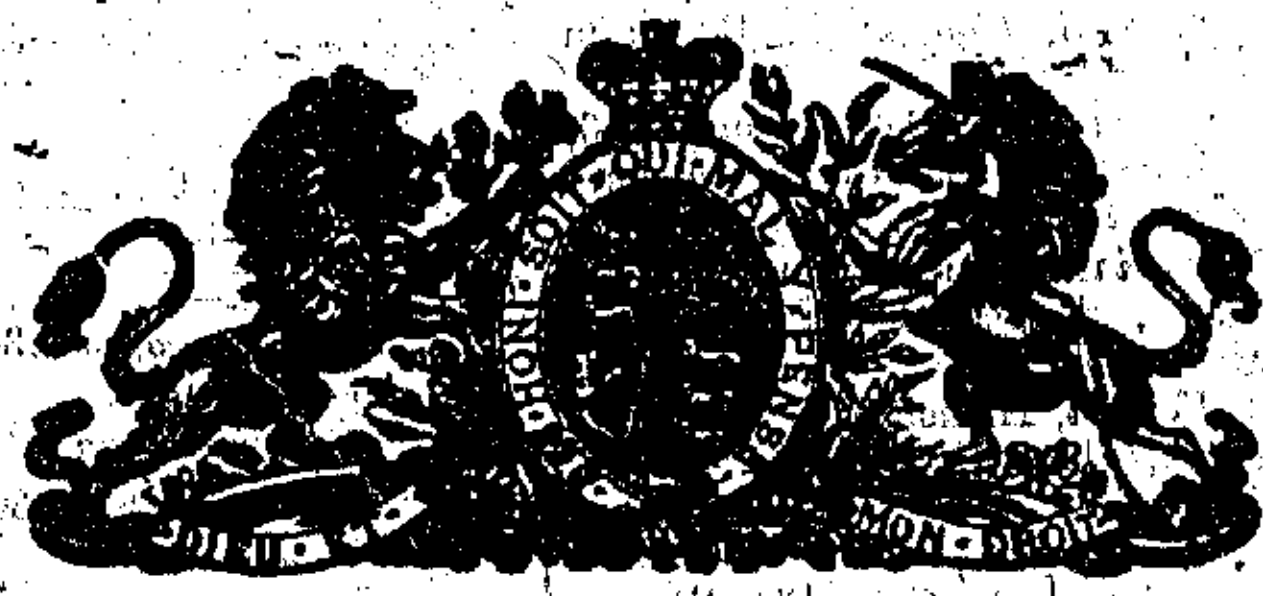


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Intimations.

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GENTLEMEN having suggestions to offer or Presentations to make are invited to communicate with the CLERK of the COURSE on or before the 19th Instant.

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SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profit to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878. no1

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to say that he intends VISITING AMOY and FOOCHOW, leaving Hongkong September 15th, and returning November 1st.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

MOORE & Co.

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Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

A SIXTH RETURN OF CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TABLES per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 11th October, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on MONDAY, the 21st October.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 21st October, inclusive.

By Order, RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.

Shanghai, October 3, 1878. no14

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

NOTICE is hereby given, that TENDERS for the PRIVILEGE OF PREPARING and SELLING PREPARED OPIUM within the Colony for the Term of One, Two, or Three Years from the 1st of March, 1879, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1858, will be Received at this Office, until Noon on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd October, 1878.

Each Tender should specify the Monthly Payment offered for the period above-mentioned.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender. Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licenses direct under Section 3 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.

By Command, C. MAY, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878. no1

NOTICE.

FROM THE 1st OF OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 63, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 28, 1878.

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CAUTION.

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LANMAN & KEMP.

New York, July 6, 1878. no20

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Intimations.

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Hongkong, October 17, 1878. oc24

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 91.

CHINA SEA.

WENCHOW DISTRICT—WENCHOW HARBOUR.

"Lion Rock" Beacon.

NOTICE is hereby given that a BEACON has been erected on a small Pinnacle Rock called "SHIH SHIH" (Lion Rock) submerged 8 feet at H. W. Springs, situated near the anchorage at Wenchow about 600 feet S. E. of the East end of the Island known as the Chiang-Hsin-Sai, which is in the middle of the River opposite the North Wall of the City.

The BEACON consists of a POLE, 15 inches in diameter, painted Black and White Alternate Bands, on which is fixed a BALL, 6 feet in diameter, painted Black with a Horizontal White Band round the Centre.

The top of the Pole is 24 feet above H. W. Springs. The Centre of the Ball is 15 feet above H. W. Springs.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs, GERALD E. WELLESLEY, Acting Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs, Engineer's Office, Shanghai, September 20, 1878. oc30

CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC!

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WHEREAS it having become known to the Proprietors of Dr BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE that a worthless imitation, bearing a similar name, is exported to India, China, &c., and endeavored to be foisted on purchasers as equal in efficacy to Dr BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE, they feel it due to the public to specially caution them against this compound and request their most careful attention to the following distinctive characteristics of Dr BRIGHT'S (the only genuine) Phosphodyne:

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China Mail Office,
Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1878.

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the SAILOR'S HOME, West Point.
Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

Notices to Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship OCEANIC, from San Francisco, &c., are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

G. B. EMORY,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 16, 1878. oc28

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. A. V. A.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Gange, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day, the 14th Inst., at 5 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underagent.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 19th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.
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H. DE POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 14, 1878.

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Hongkong, October 21, 1878. oc25

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

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FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Spanish Steamer "EMUY,"

BLANCO, Master, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, October 21, 1878. oc23

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

The Spanish Steamer "MARIELE,"

Muñoz, Master, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd Inst., at 3 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, October 21, 1878. oc23

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "YESSO,"

Capt. S. ASHTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 24th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFFRAK & Co.

Hongkong, October 21, 1878. oc24

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per British Bark MARINA, F. JEAN, Master, from LONDON, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the Vessel.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
Wm. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 21, 1878. oc24

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Oct. 18, Marina, British barque, 693, F. Jean, London June 8, General.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

Oct. 18, Three Brothers, British barque, 867, H. Khaleke, Singapore Oct. 5, Ballast.—CHINESE.

Oct. 20, Ningpo, British steamer, 761, R. Cass, Shanghai Oct. 16, and Swatow 19, General.—SIEMSEN & Co.

Oct. 20, Amoy, British steamer, from Canton.

Oct. 20, Yesso, British steamer, 860, S. Ashton, Foochow Oct. 17, Amoy 18, and Swatow 19, General.—DOUGLAS LAFFRAK & Co.

Oct. 20, Gualior, British steamer, 1719, J. C. Babot, Bombay Oct. 1, Galle 6, Penang 11, and Singapore 14, Malls and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Oct. 20, Conquest, British steamer, 817, Scott, Haiphong Oct. 6, 9 a.m., and Holbow 18, 9 a.m., Treasure (\$28,000) and General.—Kwong Lee Yuen.

Oct. 20, Chop-chung, Chinese s.s. Co., from Canton.

Oct. 20, Chariton, British steamer, 786, Johnson, Newcastle and Cooktown Oct. 2, Coal.—Geo. R. STEVENS & Co.

Oct. 21, Syria, British steamer, 1305, John Johnson, Foochow Oct. 19, Tea.—GILMAN & Co.

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POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.—
Per Yesso, at 6 p.m., on Wednesday, the 23rd inst.

For SAIGON.—
Per Fernambuco, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 25th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—
Per Strathmore, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 25th inst.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—
The British Contract Packet Venetia will be despatched with Malls for the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar, Europe, and countries served through London, on THURSDAY, the 24th inst.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius.

The following will be the hours of closing the Malls, &c.:—

Wednesday, 23rd Inst.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 24th Inst.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

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MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet Yangtze will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 24th inst., with Malls to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Madagascari, to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Calcutta, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

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MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—

The United States Mail Packet Oceanic will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 1st November, with Malls for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

11.15 A.M. Registry of Letters ceases.

11.30 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 15 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

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General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, October 23.—
11 a.m.—Emuy leaves for Amoy, &c.
8 p.m.—Marines leaves for Manila.

THURSDAY, October 24.—
Daylight.—Yesso leaves for Coast Ports.
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.
Opera Bouffe at the City Hall.

THURSDAY, October 31.—
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, November 1.—
Noon.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, October 21, 1878.

OPIUM.—New Patna, cash, \$587 1/2

" Old Patna, cash, 570

" New Benares, cash, 560

" Old Benares, cash, 545

" New Malwa, cash, 780

" Old Malwa, cash, 765

" Allowance Teels, 4 a 16

" Old Malwa, cash, 109 1/2

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Exchange.

Bank on demand, 3/7 1/2

" 30 days' sight, 3/7 1/2

" 6 months' sight, 3/7 1/2

Credits, 3/8 1/2

Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/8 1/2

Bombay, demand Rupees, 221

Calcutta, 221

Shanghai, demand, 72

" 80 days, 72 1/2

English Sovereigns, 5.60

Australian Sovereigns, 5.60

Bar Silver, 17 dwts. B., 108 1/2 nom.

Sycee, 100 ... 109 1/2

Mexicans, 1/2 %

Gold Leaf, 99 1/2 fine ... 27.60

Discount, ... 8 to 9 p. c.

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 68 1/2 prem.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,700

China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,550

Yangtze Ins. Assn., \$1,725

Chinese Insurance Co., \$845

North China Ins. Co., \$1,230

H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$280

H.K. & W. Dock Co., \$20 1/2 prem.

H.K. O. & M. S. Boat Co., \$11 prem.

Shanghai Steam Navigation, \$15 20

China Coast St. Nav. Co., \$15 101

Hongkong Gas Co., \$97 1/2

Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65

China Sugar Refining Co., \$152

Chinese Imperial Loan, \$108

Do. of 1877, \$107

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An inquest was held at the Government Civil Hospital, on the body of a Chinese, named to Yung Yin, before a jury comprising Messrs. R. Deacon, C. Burmann, and J. H. Holmes. It appears that deceased fell into the Dock at Hong Ham. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

We learn from a home paper that a Society to be called The Society of St. Peter was to be formed at Rome, consisting of barristers, solicitors and doctors of law belonging to the Roman Catholic Church throughout the world. By this means it was expected that the interests of the Church would be universally promoted.

We are glad to learn that H. M. S. *Kestrel*, which left this port on the evening before the gale of the 8th for Hothow and Pakhoi, with Bishop Burdon on board, is reported all well by the *Conquest*. The gunboat was entering the harbour of Hothow as the *Conquest* was leaving, or vice versa.

Owing to the indolent state of the weather a very poor audience assembled in the City Hall Theatre on Saturday evening to witness the reproduction for the third time of "Gensievere de Brabant." The performance nevertheless, passed off very smoothly and successfully. Both Mr Vernon and Miss May were in good voice. "Charles Martel's" song was sung by the "Duke." On Thursday evening the Company produced the popular opera of "Maritana," when doubtless the Company will, weather permitting, be patronised by the usual large audience.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 20th October, 1878:—

	European.	Chinese.
Monday, Oct. 14th,	77	411
Tuesday, 15th,	55	285
Wednesday, 16th,	70	337
Thursday, 17th,	63	285
Friday, 18th,	72	300
Saturday, 19th,	60	243
Sunday, 20th,	78	1,871
Totals,	476	1,871
Grand total, 2,347.		

The Band and Pipes 74th Highlanders will perform on the Parade Ground tomorrow night, (whether permitting) commencing at 9 p.m. The following is the programme:—

BAND	
March,.....	Wedding.....
Overture,.....	Era Diavolo.....
Selection,.....	Princess of Trebizond.....
Valse,.....	Donna Sabina.....
Selection,.....	Martha.....
Galop,.....	Valentine.....
Mr J. Buchanan, Bandmaster.	
PIPERS	
March,.....	Soldier's Return.....
Do,.....	This is my ain House.....
Do,.....	Childe Roderick.....
Do,.....	Cam ye by Athole.....
Strathspey,.....	Miss Drummond.....
Reel,.....	Kilbourn Castle.....
J. Hall, Pipe Major.	

List of Articles presented or lent to the City Hall Museum and Library, from Sept. 1st to 20th Oct., 1878:—Head and Tail of a Sword-fish, by E. Niedhardt, Esq.; 1 Pair Japanese Slippers, by C. F. A. Sangster, Esq.; 1 Bird, by Master J. M. Kelly; 1 Cow-nose-hook, by G. Sharp, Esq.; 1 Green Snake, by Hon. C. B. Plunket, Esq.; 1 Electro-type Copy of the American Mail and Export Journal, by R. C. Wilcox, Esq.; 12 Vola Books, by H. F. Macnamara, Esq.; 1 Japanese House, by J. Y. V. Shaw, Esq.; 2 Stone Crabs, by C. de Longueville, Esq.; 9 Siamese Figures, 1 Model Naacarah's canoe, and 1 Model Canoe made of Cloves, by Dr. N. B. Denney; 42 Curios, lent by B. Goldsmith, Esq.; 76 Curios, lent by Thos. Arnold, Esq.; 1 Manuscript 1682, 1 Small Book 1791, and 1 Small Box, lent by J. M. Jesus, Esq.; 6 Stuffed Birds, lent by H. M. Harrison, Esq.; 1 Set Chinese Fighting Implements, lent by E. C. Ray, Esq.

We learn from Amoy that the Bund is getting on steadily, and that the Hongkong Bank has got into much better premises than those formerly occupied. The Chinese servant who had his head seriously damaged the other day by a foreigner threatens another cause célèbre.

With reference to this "brubling" tendency lately developed in high quarters at Amoy, we have received a lengthy communication from an occasional correspondent over the signature "Protectionist," in which full details are given of the last sanguinary assault and battery committed in or near the servants' quarters of a well-known foreign resident there. We have already remarked pretty strongly upon the impudence of the pugilistic mode of settling differences, and may now add that those in authority ought to show a good example to their fellow-residents. The publication of the letter of "Protectionist," however, would not, we think, materially forward the interests of the law-abiding portion of the Amoy community. H. B. M. Consul has a perfect right to entertain whatever private friendships he pleases; and if the

Chinese who have been assaulted are foolish enough to suppose that an English Consul officer would permit any outside feeling to interfere with the performance of his manifest duty, so much the worse for Chinese ignorance of foreign ways. Of course, if no complaint be made before the Consul, it is difficult to see how he can be brought into the matter at all. The dolorous reference to the *Amoy Gazette*—upon the proprietor of which the judicial viols of Consul Wardlaw's wrath were emptied not so very long since—is much more significant, and would certainly be ground for a grievance if that even-tempered gentleman proved to be the particular bugbear alluded to by our correspondent as frightening the lives at once of the conductor of our small contemporary and of the peace-loving residents of Koo-lai-gau. The recent behaviour of Mr Wardlaw has clearly disturbed the equanimity of the residents, and a Vigilance Committee may yet have to be formed; but we must nevertheless decline to publish "Protectionist's" letter until he can give us more substantial foundation for his grievance.

ADDRESS TO THE HON. C. O. SMITH FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE COLONIAL SERVICE.

The following address to the Hon. C. O. Smith has been forwarded to Singapore, it having been found impossible to obtain the signatures of all the public officers desirous of signing, in time to present it personally:—

Hongkong, October 10th 1878.
To the Honourable
CECIL CLEMENTI SMITH,
Treasurer and Registrar General of Hongkong.

DEAR SIR,—We, the undersigned members of the Civil Service of Hongkong, desire to express our great regret at your departure from among us, although we have at the same time to congratulate you upon your promotion by the Home Government to the important position of Colonial Secretary in the Straits Settlements as a recognition of merit and faithful service, a position which we feel sure you will occupy with advantage to the public service and with great credit to yourself.

In taking leave of you, we beg to assure you that we hope that both your wife and yourself will experience much happiness in your new position, and that you may continue to be successful as you have been hitherto; further, that we should be rejoiced to hear as long that your present promotion has been but a step to more distinguished advancement in the service of the Crown.

We are, Dear Sir,
Your Sincere Friends and Well Wishers,

Francis Snowden
C. May
H. E. Wodehouse
Arthur K. Travers
J. M. S. Alves
George Phillip
C. F. Plunket
C. F. A. Sangster
C. H. Mossop
Edmund Sharp
R. A. Rozario
Chun Tai-kwong
J. Dyer Ball
C. Osmond
Wong A-yun
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To Lok him
Li Shang
Im Mong
Chan U-tsin
Fung Chiu-tong
Ching Un
Yung A-kan
Lam Tsun
John Gerrard
Edw. Bowdler
S. R. Neate
William Danby, C.E.
Chan A-fook
Kom Chiu-seung
Wong Kam-mun
Geo. L. Tomlin
M. Gutierrez
Charles Ford
Geo. J. King
Sing Qua
B. A. Caldwell
J. P. McEuen
F. Machado
A. C. Botelho
T. M. Leatherbarrow
Teang Hoi
A. F. Sampson
Chan Chan
Jas. A. Sampson
M. J. Chagas
W. S. Loring
A. Gutierrez
J. Moodeen
Leong Chung
J. J. Collago
J. L. de S. Alves
Cheung Ip
Alfred Lister
J. S. Rodrigues
E. L. H. d'Aquino

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

SIR,—In the leading article on "the defence of Hongkong" in the late *Hongkong Times* of the 30th Sept. 1878, the following passage occurs: "What we have most to dread are raids; expeditions got up for plunder and destruction landing on our shores at night in small boats at different points, and aided by a strong moonlight firing the town. A community composed of such heterogeneous materials as ours could very soon be demoralised and before any available opposition brought into service, half the town be destroyed." In the inevitable confusion that must ensue from a night attack a long-headed and sagacious filibuster might get some very pretty pickings as well as a mandarin's button from grateful Peking. Some of the long-earred gentry connected with the defunct *Punch* seem to think this a very pretty subject for puerile anger and "cracking of thorns under a pot." But in view of the late events in your city, it does not seem that the Editor of the ill-fated *Daily* was such a consummate ass, after all.

MACAO.

Oct. 20.
It was only the other day that we, like honorable men, acquitted our debt towards one of your Banks, and had settled a plan to utilise our spare funds, when lo! like the late typhoon, we are surprised by a call on our exchequer! The blacks in our Colony of Timor, stirred, doubtless, by some mischievous whites, have risen, and the energetic Governor has telegraphed to our Governor for a remittance of troops to put down the rebellion. The worst of it is that we can ill afford to part with the little force we now have here. However, I hear that 60 men and a lot of warlike stores are to be sent with all possible despatch by the Portuguese barque *Venus*, and that the National Guard will have to muster in full strength to do garrison duty, receiving the same pay as their comrades of the line. This is a wise measure of our Governor, and has deserved the thanks of those who have been out of employment and can now enlist and earn something to support themselves and their families. It will likely be some months before we can receive an instalment of regular troops from Portugal.

Police Intelligence.

(Both Magistrates Sitting.)

21st Oct., 1878.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.
Lan Ahn, and three others, were charged on remand, with being found in the unlawful possession of 20 bags of white beans. The constable who arrested the prisoners (Karl Lindros) said he was unable to find the owner of the beans, and the defendants were sent to 14 days' hard labour each.

LARCENY.
Li Awa, a house boy, was sent to 6 months' hard labour for stealing a silk quilt, the property of Mr. H. G. James. It appears that the prisoner, who was Mr. James' boy, had been suspected previously of stealing two gold rings, the property of his master, but the theft had never been brought home to him. The quilt was subsequently missed, and the defendant brought it back; but it had been again stolen. The charge was fully proven.

TO-DAY'S FINES.

Lam Akun, a night-soil cooler, throwing night-soil into a drain. Fined 20 cents.
Leung Akwan, and another, hawkers, obstructing a public thoroughfare. Fined 50 cents each.

Lo Aohan, hawking without a license. Fined 50 cents.

John Kelly, seaman British barque *Margerton*, drunk and incapable. Fined 5 shillings and ordered to pay 30 cents chair-hire.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before His Lordship Acting Chief Justice Snowden.)

21st Oct., 1878.

The Criminal Sessions were resumed to-day. The following gentlemen comprised the Jury:—Messrs A. J. Brandao, A. E. Vanecher, E. A. Jorge, L. Haeschild, P. Smith, F. W. Koss, and A. G. Aitken.

Regina v. Rajah Mahomed.

The prisoner was indicted on three counts for cutting and wounding his wife, a Chinese woman. We have reported the case fully before. It may be remembered that the prisoner, a police constable, was living with the woman as his wife, and on the night of the 28th August, he went to his house and found another Sikh Constable in the woman's company. He set upon the woman and the Sikh and wounded both of them. The prisoner pleaded guilty on the third count (inflicting grievous bodily harm). The Attorney General entered a *nolle prosequi* on the other counts, and sentence was deferred.

Regina v. Ho Ahuk.

The prisoner was indicted for stealing a silver bracelet from the person of a woman. He pleaded guilty to the charge and four previous convictions; sentence reserved.

Regina v. King Ahung.

The prisoner was indicted for unlawfully detaining a child 8 years of age, with intent to deprive the father Tam Atai of its custody. He stole the child at Macao. The jury found the prisoner guilty, and his Lordship reserved a point of law as to whether or not he was forcibly detained the child.

The sessions were then adjourned until Wednesday next, at 10 a.m.

ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. Co's steamship *Gualior*, Captain J. C. Babot, with the London Mail of the 18th September, arrived here yesterday morning.

TELEGRAMS.

(Straits Times Extra.)

London, Oct. 8.—Obituary: Rt. Hon. Frederick Thesiger, Lord Chelmsford, late Lord Chancellor of England. Aged 84 years.

The death of Mr Whalley is also announced.

(From Indian Papers.)

London, Sept. 28.—The British Ambassador at St. Petersburg has conferred with Prince Gortschakoff on the Afghan question. The *Pall Mall Gazette* protests against any delay in the British advance into Afghanistan, and says that the Government must be responsible for the consequences, which will be disastrous to our prestige. The *Morning Post* believes that Russia intends immediately to recall the Russian Mission from Kabul. The *Liberal* and *Standard* press approves of the British action against Afghanistan. The *Bengal* says that the British are preparing to return to India.

London, Sept. 22.—It is semi-officially denied at St. Petersburg that Russia could not refuse to return to Russia the

British Mission, and it is explained that the Russian expedition to Asia was consequent on Sir Douglas Forsyth's mission, and rumours that the British agents were at Bokhara during the late war; but that directly the Congress promised peace, those measures were revoked.

London, Sept. 30.—The London papers continue to urge an immediate advance to Afghanistan. Colonel Arbuthnot has been appointed Inspector-General of Artillery in India. Obituary: General Thomas Bid-dulph.

Bombay, Sept. 20.—Active preparations are proceeding for the Cobul campaign to be, though it is believed that the Government have no intention to march on the Amoor's capital yet. It is to be hoped that the news of warlike preparations will bring the Amoor to his senses. About ten thousand troops are converging on the frontier, with eight thousand as a reserve in Mooltan. Sir Neville Chamberlain takes the chief command. Public opinion favours immediate action. It is believed that the Amoor is acting under Russian advice. It is reported that the Viceroy stays at Lahore for the cold season. The Bombay troops probably go by sea to Kurrachee, thence to Quetta and Mooltan. Nothing absolutely settled.

London, Oct. 1.—The *Daily News* points out that the occupation of Cabul by the 6th of November is possible, but that if an advance on Cabul before winter is not feasible, at all events it would be advisable to occupy Jellalabad and send an expedition to the British force on the summit of Jugdult-luck and Kabul. The *Daily News* is further of opinion that if the British advance is delayed until the Spring the passes might be fortified, as possibly by the assistance of Russian engineers. The Russian Government, in replying to the English note, declare that the Russian mission to Cabul was merely an act of courtesy. Major-General Bright, who succeeds Major-General Hardinge in command of the Meerut Division, and Lieutenant-General Stewart have departed for India. The second battalion of the 14th Foot and five batteries of Artillery have been ordered to embark for India on the 5th and 16th instant respectively.

London, Oct. 2.—Lord Lawrence has written a letter to the *Times*, in which he deprecates a British invasion of Afghanistan on the ground of its being too expensive, and advises that the Amoor should not be treated too harshly.

England's revenue returns for the September quarter show an increase of £33,000. London, Oct. 3.—The immediate despatch of bedding and winter clothing for the Indian army has been ordered. The London papers are unanimous in their disapproval of Lord Lawrence's letter to the *Times* deprecating an invasion of Afghanistan. Cabinet Council has been summoned for the 5th inst., to discuss the relations between England, and Afghanistan. The Privy Council regulates the Government of Cyprus, and the Foreign and Indian Secretaries are charged with the joint direction of the remainder. The Indian troops have embarked for India from Malta. Consols closed yesterday at 94½, being a further fall of one quarter.

London, Oct. 4.—The Under-Secretary for War has tendered his resignation, and Mr Ralph Thompson succeeds him. The *Times* proposes that, if the Amoor apologizes, we should demand the admission of an accredited British Minister to Cabul. The *North German Gazette* of Berlin publishes a semi-official Russian communication which lays stress upon Russia's need for peace, and states that Russia has no intention of supporting the Afghans.

(London & China Express, Sept. 13.)
The *Ready*, a gun, Commander Edwards, has been ordered to join the China Squadron.

Mr Ho, one of the secretaries attached to the Chinese Legation, is engaged in translating Shakespeare into Chinese. The same gentleman has also made considerable progress in a translation of Blackstone's Commentaries into the same language.

Messrs Griffith and Farran have in the press a book entitled "Child Life in Japan," by Mrs M. Chaplin Ayton, with several full-page illustrations, drawn and engraved by Japanese artists.

Mr Thomas Brassy's famous yacht, the *Sunbeam*, is now lying at Portsmouth, getting ready for a cruise to Cyprus and the Levant, with her owner and Mrs Brassy. She is nearly ready for sea, and is expected to start in a few days.

The 28th Regiment will probably come home within the next six months, after ten years' foreign service, three of which have been spent in Hong Kong and the Straits Settlements. The regiment suffered severely from sickness at Hong Kong, and the weakened strength no doubt influences the authorities in bringing it home before its time.

It is stated that one of the Russian men-of-war now attached to the squadron in Japan waters, has received orders to return to the Baltic via the Suez Canal. This vessel will be the first instance of Russia availing herself of the passage through the Canal to the Mediterranean.

The appointment of Mr Cecil Clementi Smith as Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements is gazetted. The *Gazette* also contains the announcement that the Queen has appointed the King of Siam to be an Honorary Member of the First Class or Knights Grand Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Sir John Smale and Lady Smale have taken passage in the Messageries Maritimes steamer *Tyrr*, leaving Marseilles Dec. 1, which is due at Hong Kong Jan. 10.

Hamburg, Sept. 10.—The arrivals in the river during the past week have been upon a very limited scale, and as at the same time easterly winds have taken many vessels away, the harbour commences to show a somewhat empty appearance. Of arrivals from the Far East there are none to report, and of the departures but one, the *Emil Julius*, for Germany, for Hongkong.

THE PROPOSED EXTENSION OF VICTORIA GAOL.

The following despatch to His Excellency the Governor is published, among others in the *Government Gazette* of Saturday:—

Downing-street, 6th June, 1878.
SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch, No. 164, of the 22nd of November, relating to proposed improvements in the Victoria Gaol, and enclosing plans prepared by the Surveyor-General for this purpose.

I am aware that in drawing these plans, Mr Price has conformed to the instructions contained in paragraph 6 of my predecessor's despatch, of the 7th of May, 1877, and I fully appreciate the

care which he has bestowed upon them, but after due consideration of the subject, I am of opinion that they will not provide the accommodation required.

I observe that both you the Surveyor-General refer to the question of the reconstruction of the Gaol as dependent on the project of transporting long sentenced criminals to Labuan. It may be convenient, therefore, that I should at once state that I am not at present prepared to entertain this suggestion, and that any scheme for the improvement of the prison discipline in the Colony should proceed on the assumption that Hongkong will have to provide accommodation for the whole of its own criminals.

Keeping this decision in view, it will be evident that Mr Price's plans for the enlargement of the existing Gaol, while they scarcely meet even the present requirements of the Colony, are open to objection on the grounds which he has himself indicated in paragraph 16 of his letter to the Colonial Secretary, viz., that the size of the airing yards, already small, will be still further diminished. Such a diminution of the prison yards together with the crowding of fresh buildings on the present site would be highly detrimental both to the discipline and the sanitary condition of the prison, and on this ground, it will be necessary to abandon Mr Price's proposal.

It has been suggested as a mode of meeting the difficulty that the prisoners should be divided, and a second prison built outside the town, but as at present advised, I consider it wholly out of the question to establish two separate prisons in so small a Colony.

Two alternatives present themselves, the one being to enlarge the existing prison by acquiring and building on additional ground in the immediate neighbourhood; the other to abandon the present buildings and erect a wholly new prison on a different site.

As regards the acquisition of additional ground, an extension may apparently be sought either above or below the present site: that is to say, it would seem feasible either to resume the leases of the land immediately above Chancery-lane and carry the Gaol up to Cairne-road (at the same time closing Chancery-lane, or making a covered passage between the existing Gaol and the new site), or to resume the houses now occupied for the Civil Hospital and the other premises which are bounded by the Old Baily.

I am aware that the difference of levels may perhaps render it impracticable to carry out either of these schemes, except at a cost which would be prohibitory when added to the compensation payable to the lessors; but I think it right that every possible course should be considered before arriving at a definite conclusion. Either plan would have the advantage of securing the continued protection afforded by the proximity of the Police Barracks; but, on the other hand, would be open to the objection that such an extension would permanently fix the Gaol in the heart of a very populous quarter of the City.

As regards the ground occupied by the present temporary Hospital, it would apparently be necessary to bring the Police Barrack forward to the street, so as to leave room for a new prison block where the Barrack now stands; and I should add that I am doubtful whether this locality would admit of the Police Courts being also placed there, or whether it would not be necessary to look for a site elsewhere.

If either of these plans were adopted, advantage should be taken of the opportunity of increasing the accommodation to improve as much as possible the existing prison. The enlargement of the airing grounds by the removal of the radiating blocks, and the erection of a separate Hospital, are among the improvements which seem most imperatively called for.

The only alternative to these extensions being apparently the construction of an entirely new prison, the question of a site remains to be considered; and it will be necessary to weigh the relative merits of all available spots, including Stone Outcrops Island, and any vacant Crown Lands within reasonable distance of the town, or on the face of the hill above the houses.

In many respects I am of opinion that the erection of a new prison on a new site will be found to be the best solution of the question, but the expense which it would involve would doubtless be very great, and it will be for you to inquire carefully into the financial conditions of the various schemes which I have suggested. The main elements for consideration appear to be roughly, on the one hand, the cost of acquiring additional land in the vicinity of the present site and of converting the present buildings and erecting those which will be required in addition; and on the other hand, the cost of a new site and the cost of a new prison against which should be set the amount that would be derived from the sale of the present site and buildings. I need scarcely say that in the event of its being decided to erect a wholly new Gaol, it would be undesirable to spend money on enlarging or converting the present building.

In the foregoing remarks I have been my object to set before you what I conceive are the chief elements of the question for consideration, and before I arrive at a final decision on a matter in which the assistance of specific local knowledge is so material, I shall be happy to receive from you a report upon the comparative cost of the several proposals, and upon the sites which seem to you suitable for a new Gaol, together with such further suggestions as you may desire to offer after consulting Mr Price. I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient humble servant,

M. HORS-REACH,

Governor-Hennessy, C.M.G.,

&c., &c., &c.

THE RECENT TYPHOON.

The following reports of vessels are out from the Shanghai papers:—

The British str. *Nippo*, Capt. Cans, reports:—Left Hongkong on the 7th Oct. at 5 p.m.; had fresh winds blowing from Northward and falling Barometer; at midnight about of Pedro Blanco the gale increased and Bar. falling rapidly with very heavy swell from the Eastward, and every indication of a typhoon in that direction; put the ship's head to the Westward and run back to Hongkong; anchored in Deep Bay on the 8th at daylight; throughout the day the wind was blowing with hurricane force and heavy squalls, then hauled from N. to S. E., lowest reading of Bar. at noon was 29.40; during day str. *Yeto*, *Hailong* and *Peng-shai* left Hongkong and took shelter at Deep Bay; towards sunset weather moderating, got underweigh and proceeded at 7 p.m.; throughout the

passage had very heavy N. E. monsoon; passed the ship *Arabia* of Greenwhich, off Chimmoo Bay on the 9th under jury rig, with all three masts gone, evidently making for Amoy; offered assistance, but it was not required; anchored off Woosung on the 12th at 10 p.m.; got underweigh on the 13th at 2 a.m. and arrived at Shanghai at 5 a.m.

The P. & O. Co's str. *Nizam*, Capt. Barlow, reports:—Left Hongkong on the 6th Oct. at 1 p.m.; had fresh N.W.W. winds and fine weather; on the 7th at a.m. wind from N.W.W., veering to N.N.E. and increasing; a very heavy swell coming in from E.S.E. with threatening appearance to the Eastward, Bar. 29.86; at noon wind rapidly increased to a gale at N.E. by N. with a high confused sea, Bar. 29.86; O. and D. various 179 Lat. 22.63 N., Long. 117.5 E.; Chapul Island N. 61 E., 101; at 4 p.m. experienced hard gale with increasing sea, furious gusts at times, wind steady at N.E., Bar. 29.79; equals increasing in frequency and force with much rain until midnight, Bar. steady at 29.80; on the 8th at a.m. had strong N.E. gale with furious gusts and continuous heavy rain, Bar. 29.70, at 5.20 the wind suddenly lulled and shifted from N.E. to S.E. for about 20 minutes and then backed to N.E. by N. in a very heavy squall with torrents of rain, the sea at this time was running in every direction, numerous small land birds about; at 8 a.m. Bar. 29.85; at noon had moderate N.E. gale and thick rainy weather with a very high confused sea, Bar. 29.25 O. and D. N. 80 E. 48 Lat. 23.01 N., Long. 117.54 E. Chapul Island N. 3 E. 66; at 2 p.m. weather clearing a little, sighted the Lamock Islands bearing N. 35 W. distant 12 miles; at 4 p.m. gale moderating, Bar. 29.90; midnight strong breeze still at N.E. with less sea, Bar. 30.03; on the 9th at a.m. had strong N.E. breeze with high sea, Bar. 30.12; at noon C. and D. N. 48 E. 166 Lat. 24.60 N., Long. 119.16 E., Bar. 30.12; at 5.45 p.m. had fresh N.E. breeze and fine weather to Turnboat Island N. 68 W. 3 distant; sighted the British ship *Arabia*, of Glasgow, running to the Southward and Westward under jury spars, having lost all three lower masts, offered assistance but was declined; midnight had fresh breeze from N.N.E. to North with drizzling rain, Bar. 30.14; from this time till arrival in the river had strong N.E. winds with thick dirty weather and rain, Bar. from 30.00 to 30.20; passed the Lightship on the 11th at 5.15 p.m. and anchored off Woosung at 9 p.m.; arrived at Shanghai on the 12th at 6.35 a.m.

The O. C. Co's str. *Sydney*, Capt. Craig, reports:—Left Hongkong on the 4th Oct. at 4.30 p.m.; had fresh S.E. wind and fine weather as far as Breaker Point, thence experienced N.E. winds, increasing to a gale; on the 6th at 2.15 p.m. anchored off Amoy in strong gales and heavy weather, Bar. 29.82; on the 7th at 10 a.m. wind moderating, Bar. 29.88; got underweigh at 2 p.m. the same day, gale increasing and the weather appearing threatening, Bar. falling, anchored under Quemo; on the 8th at 5.15 p.m. wind moderating and weather looking fine, Bar. rising to 30.00; got underweigh on the 9th, passed through Hatten Straits; on the 10th had strong N.N.E. winds and thick rainy weather to port; arrived below the shipping at midnight and alongside the wharf on the 12th at 6 a.m.

China.

NEWSPAPERS.

Oct. 5th.

A Naval Court was held on the 4th inst. at H. B. M.'s Consulate, to enquire into the circumstances attending the grounding of the British brigantine *Flying Scud* on the west bank of the River Liang, on the 29th Sept. The *Flying Scud* was a vessel of 544 tons, and was commanded by Capt. Cantor. It may be gathered, from the evidence, that on the 28th Sept. the vessel passed the Lightship about 6 p.m. inward bound, from Nagasaki, and anchored in 43 fathoms near the Outer Buoy, no pilots being visible. During the night a very strong gale arose from the S.W. and the sea became very angry. Early on the morning of 29th Sept., the pilot boat *Sam Slick* passed without noticing the jack of the *Flying Scud*. The *Naomi* pilot cutter, soon after put Mr Richards on board, and efforts were made to save the vessel, but they proved fruitless. The pilot pointed out that it would be most dangerous to hold on where they were, and so when he considered there was sufficient water on the bar, the sails were set and the anchor was slipped. Unfortunately, the sailing gear gave way; there was little or no sea room, and the vessel, being unmanageable, drifted on the west bank and went badly ashore. The second anchor was let go in the hope of the weather moderating. Meanwhile such damage was done that the *Flying Scud* filled, and all chance of getting out of the difficulty was lost.

In accordance with the opinion of the Court, the Admiralty sailing directions of 1874 should be made obsolete as soon as possible, and should be replaced by the "Instructions for entering the Liang River." The finding of the Court was as follows:—The Court acquits the master of the *Flying Scud* of carelessness or want of skill in the navigation of the vessel. It appears to have followed the sailing directions published by the British Admiralty in 1874, which points out an anchorage about where the pilot boarded him. The *Flying Scud* was thus placed in a position from which, when bad weather came on, it was not possible to extricate her, but for this the directions, and not the master, are to be blamed. The Court considers that Pilot Richards performed his duties with energy and courage; but it directs the master of the *Flying Scud* to bring the conduct of those on board the pilot boat *Sam Slick* to the notice of the proper authorities. The Court returns the master's certificate.

THOS. ADAMS,

J. B. M.'s

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF
Mr. DAVID ROBERT FENTON
CRAWFORD in our Shanghai Firm,
CEASED on 31st March last.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Shanghai, October 10, 1878. no14

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE
COMPANY.

FROM This Date, and during the
Absence of the Underigned, Mr
REGINALD DIGBY STARKLEY is author-
ized to Act as AGENT for the Company in
Hongkong.

J. KENNARD DAVIS,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 15, 1878. no15

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
ARTHUR CHART in our Firm
CEASED on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.
Hongkong, June 13, 1878. del3

NOTICE.

THE Underigned having This Day Pub-
lished the STOCK-IN-TRADE, Book
Dolls, and Goodwill of the CHINA DIS-
PENSARY hitherto Carried on by Mr W.
BALL, will conduct and carry on the said
Business (in connection with the VICTORIA
DISPENSARY) on his own Account from
This Date.

WAL CRUICKSHANK.

Hongkong, August 31, 1878.

NOTICE.

MR NG MEI KUM otherwise called
NG HOK MUN is admitted a
Partner in our Firm from the 2nd
February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG,
No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.
Hongkong, September 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
late Mr NG SIN FOO otherwise
called NG HOK SEE in our Firm CEASED
from the 2nd February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG,
No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.
Hongkong, September 30, 1878. de80

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
Underigned in the Chinese Mail,
華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po),
CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but
Debit prior to that Date will be received
and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-
signed has LEASED the Chinese Mail
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
the services of Mr LEUNG YOOK CHUN,
as Translator and General Manager of the
newspaper, which under its new régime
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-
cellent medium for advertising, especially
as the Manager is able to devote his whole
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

To Let.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 7, Canal Road, occupied by
The Hon. GEORGE SMITH.

House No. 7, Zetland Street, at present
occupied by Mr HEUERMAN.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, October 7, 1878.

TO LET.

THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers,
The BUNGALOW, No. 2, Shelley
Street.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65,
formerly known as the Blue Houses,
situate on Praya East.

FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT of
No. 2, Praya East, either separately, or
together, as required, with immediate pos-
session.

HOUSE No. 8, Praya East. The whole
House or in Flats, with
immediate possession.

As also,

SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Cor-
ridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING
HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Pier at
Wanchai. These may be had in Apart-
ments of Two or Three Rooms to suit con-
venience. Fine spacious Verandah looking
on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS,
attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai,
MARINE LOT 65.

For further particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE FLOORED
GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10,
Praya Central.

Apply to
TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

Mails.



STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDI-
TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-
AMPTON, AND LONDON, VIA
BOMBAY,
ALSO
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship
"VENETIA," Captain J. G. PERKINS,
will leave this on THURSDAY, the 24th
October, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, October 12, 1878. oc24

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTES FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;

ALSO,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 31st October,
1878, at Noon, the Company's
S. S. YANGTSE, Commandant RAFAEL,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPOILS,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for
the principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 30th October, 1878. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.
H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 18, 1878. oc31

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S.S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on FRIDAY, the 1st November, at Noon,
taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan,
the United States and Europe.
Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 31st October. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN Pas-
sage Tickets.
For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, October 17, 1878. no1

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Hongkong, October 17, 1878. no1

INSURANCES.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
£45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1878.

INSURANCES.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES.

THE Underigned are prepared to accept
RISKS at GREATLY REDUCED
RATES, and upon Terms very favourable
to the Assured.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 17, 1878.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premium contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for Hongkong for the above-
named Company, are prepared to Grant
Policies against FIRE on Buildings and
on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the
usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-
count of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable
reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in
China.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 18, 1878.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Saidon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Act of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1878.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.	
Steamers									
Amoy	4	c	Drowes	Brit. str.	814	Oct. 20	Stamson & Co.	Shanghai	
Bombay	2	b	Brit.	str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Ahsoong	To-day	
Charlton	7	c	Johnson	Brit.	786	Oct. 21	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.		
Conquest	5	b	Scott	Brit.	317	Oct. 20	Kwong Lee Yuen	Hothow & Haiphong	
Emmy	3	c	Blanco	Span.	223	Oct. 21	Romedios & Co.	Amoy and Manila	
Fame	6	b	Stopani	Brit.	117		H. K. & W'pon Dock Co.	Tug Flying	
Fetchoy	8	b	Holland	Brit.	153		G. McBain		
Gwallor	2	b	Babot	Brit.	1713	Oct. 20	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Java	4	c	Weber	Dut.	886	Oct. 14	Stemssen & Co.	at daylight	
Kienchow	2	b	Brit.	str.			Kwok Ahchoeng		
Madagascar	2	b	Timm	Ger.	884	Oct. 21	Stemssen & Co.	Bangkok	
Mariveles	5	c	Munoz	Span.	420	Oct. 15	Romedios & Co.	Manila	
Norma	3	k	Brit.	str.	3707	June 28	Kwok Ahchoeng	23rd inst.	
Oceanic	5	c	Metcalfe	Brit.	643	Oct. 16	P. & O. S. S. Co.	Y'hama & S. F. C. Co.	
Pernambuco	4	c	Johnston	Brit.	384	Oct. 18	Melchers & Co.	1st prox.	
Ranjatthanhar	2	b	Roberts	Brit.	984	Oct. 18	Yuen Fat Hong	25th inst.	
Sea Gull	4	c	Rowell	Amer.	1029	Aug. 18	W. H. Ray	Bangkok	
Strathmore	4	c	Reeves	Brit.	1565	Oct. 15	Wm. Pustau & Co.	S'apore and Penang	
Sunda	5	c	Johnson	Brit.	1305	Oct. 7	P. & O. S. N. Co.	25th inst.	
Syria	5	c	Perries	Brit.	1728	Oct. 21	Gilman & Co.	Yokohama	
Venotia	5	c	Perries	Brit.	1728	Oct. 21	P. & O. S. N. Co.	London, &c.	
Yesso	5	b	S. Ashton	Brit.	560	Oct. 20	Douglas Lapralk & Co.	Manila, 24th	
Yotung	2	b	Goggin	Brit.	286	Oct. 18	Kwok Ahchoeng	24th, daylight	
Sailing Vessels									
Ada Melmore	4	c	Sevrell	Brit.	668	Sept. 13	Meyer & Co.	San Francisco	
Albert Russell	3	c	Carver	Amer.	762	July 15	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Aldebaran	4	c	Cole	Amer.	660	Aug. 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Annie Burr	3	c	Simpson	Am. Sm. co.	590	Sept. 24	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Manila	
Anton Gunter	3	k	Kuhn	Ger.	440	Oct. 2	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Bangkok	
Beethoven	4	k	Hoye	Ger.	696	Oct. 6	Melchers & Co.		
Benefactor	4	k	Gayden	Amer.	639	Aug. 2	Russell & Co.	New York	
Bertha Marlon	1	c	Carlett	Brit.	639	Oct. 12	Gilman & Co.		
Borneo	4	c	Shaw	Amer.	736	Sept. 11	Meyer & Co.	Callao	
Brunette	2	k	Dow	Brit.	374	Sept. 12	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Sydney via Manila	
Canton	1	b	Kundsen	Slam.	772	Sept. 18	Chinese		
Challenge	4	c	Doughty	Brit.	589	Sept. 16	Olyphant & Co.	New York	
Chamron Kamroye	2	c	Hume	Slam.	450	Sept. 24	Kin-tyee-long		
Channel Queen	3	k	Kennett	Brit.	609	Oct. 2	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Chocola	4	c	Kennett	Brit.	284	Oct. 3	Chinese		
Coeran	5	b	Amer.	sch.	158	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Cosmo	3	c	Laverick	Brit.	1250	Sept. 1	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Dartmouth	7	b	Robertson	Brit.	915	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Dharwar	3	c	Freabody	Brit.	390	Aug. 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Singapore	
Dirigo	3	c	Staples	Amer.	384	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Hamburg	
Don Quixote	3	c	King	Amer.	1123	Sept. 24	Messageries Maritimes		
Drumlog	3	c	Wayman	Brit.	976	Oct. 15	Melchers & Co.		
Elizabeth Nicholson	3	c	Grierson	Brit.	904	Oct. 17	Borneo Co., Limited		
Emulation	2	c	Gunn	Brit.	890	Oct. 4	Wieler & Co.		
Fabius	2	b	Reeves	Slam.	650	Sept. 24	Chinese		
Faugh-a-Ballagh	4	c	Rute	Ger.	440	Oct. 14	Carlowitz & Co.		
Fleetwing	3	c	Guest	Amer.	820	Oct. 17	Butterfield & Swire		
Fontenay	3	c	Taylor	Brit.	635	Oct. 10	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Fuadler	3	b	Armstrong	Brit.	404	Sept. 24	Malchers & Co.		
George Skoldfield	3	c	Hall	Amer.	1813	Sept. 18	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Glanis	7	c	Key	Brit.	1150	Sept. 17	Russell & Co.		
Hammonia	3	k	Weller	Ger.	408	Oct. 10	Stemssen & Co.	Yokohama	
Hera	5	b	Robertson	Brit.	1400	Sept. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Highlander	4	k	Hutchinson	Amer.	1852	June 19	Captain		
Hutegur	4	k	Shaw	Brit.	522	Sept. 3	Rozario & Co.		
Imperatrice Elisabeth	4	c	Hegllah	Aust.	1623	Sept. 20	M. Kuno & Co.		
India	8	c	Fasten	Amer.	1284	Sept. 24	Douglas Lapralk & Co.		
Iphigenia	3	c	Green	Ger.	360	Oct. 10	Wieler & Co.	Sand's Slip	
Japan	3	k	Ottmann	Ger. Sm. str.	270	Sept. 18	Meyer & Co.	Hamburg	
Juliana	4	c	Oestmann	Ger. Sm. str.	187	Sept. 18	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Kiang Kong Tye	2	k	Kahed	Slam.	880	Sept. 18	Tack Mee		
Kirkland	2	k	College	Brit.	453	Oct. 4	Wieler & Co.		
Leucadia	4	c	Mearns	Brit.	886	Sept. 18	Stemssen & Co.		
Lizzie Perry	4	c	Pittman	Brit.	1132	Aug. 26	Russell & Co.	New York	
Lord Maenley	3	c	Monkman	Brit.	848	Oct. 7	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Lottis Moore	4	c	Hudson	Am. A. bge.	880	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Loulisa	3	k	Sohierloh	Ger. Sm. str.	245	Oct. 17	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Lucky	3	k	Soderstrom	Slam.	424	Sept. 30	Tack Mee		
Mabertson	3	c	Thompson	Brit.	696	Oct. 5	Wieler & Co.		
Marian	7	c	Jean	Brit.	698	Oct. 18	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Marie Louise	5	k	Gullbus	Foh.	425	Oct. 11	Carlowitz & Co.	Swatow	
Mary Fraser	4	c	Dexter	Brit.	1174	Aug. 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Melrose	3	c	Plumer	Amer.	994	Sept. 18	Captain		
Min-y-don	7	c	Lealle	Brit.	1103	Sept. 8	Olyphant & Co.	Constant Dock	
Moneta	3	c	Bisset	Brit.	621	Aug. 1	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
N. N.	4	c	Duydenbon	Neth.	176	Oct. 21	Order		
Niagara	4	c	Paulsen	Ger.	691	Oct. 11	Wieler & Co.		
Nicolaus	4	k	Stelken	Ger.	157	Oct. 10	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Newchwang	
Northern Star	3	k	Wortley	Brit.	327	Oct. 10	Wieler & Co.	Newchwang	
Pandur	2	k	Jansen	Ger.	586	Sept. 18	Meyer & Co.	London	
Philippine	7	k	Southwood	Brit.	301	Sept. 28	Meyer & Co.		
Ralph M. Hayward	1	k	Doane	Am. Sm. str.	605	Sept. 28	Wieler & Co.		
Siamese Crown	2	c	Sass	Slam.	634	Sept. 28	Tack Mee		
Sir Charles Napier	3	c	French	Brit.	1161	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Spartan	8	b	Vinecot	Amer.	100	Sept. 23	W. H. Ray		
Spitaway	5	k	Pringle	Brit.	325	Oct. 15	Stemssen & Co.		
Sunstar	3	k	Crough	Amer.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.		
Thoon Lamson	2	c	Vorrath	Slam.	474	Oct. 7	Stemssen & Co.		
Three Brothers	1	b	Khalcke	Brit.	267	Oct. 10	Chinese		
Trio	3	c	Bakker	Dutch	263	Oct. 11	Stemssen & Co.	Newchwang	
Varuna	3	k	Sachau	Ger.	456	Oct. 11	Wieler & Co.	put back	
Vesta	4	k	Dirks	Ger.	308	Oct. 2	Melchers & Co.	put back	
Vesta	3	k	Ruge	Dutch	417	Oct. 5	Stemssen & Co.	Sand's Slip	
Vidal	3	k	Rondelet	Foh.	409	Oct. 15	Stemssen & Co.		
W. E. Gladstone	3	k	Callichan	Brit.	584	Sept. 16	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
CANTON									
Fuyew			Crood	Chl.	str.	920	Oct. 20	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai
Ningpo			Cass	Brit.	str.	781	Oct. 20	Stemssen & Co.	Shanghai